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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

DEVELOPMENTS IN SUDAN

(As of 1600 EDT)

1. Forces loyal to General Numayri have begun a countercoup in Khartoum. The radio station in the capital has been captured by Numayri's supporters, and at 1317 EDT, Numayri, who has apparently been freed, spoke over the radio calling upon the armed forces and masses to begin an all-out search for Communists. The US Interests Section reports that small arms and tank firing is taking place throughout the city with the heaviest fighting occurring in the area of the Republican Palace and Military Headquarters, which were under attack by tank forces apparently loyal to Numayri.

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[redacted] the anti-Numayri junta's headquarters had been bombed by an unidentified airplane.

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2. A state of emergency has been declared throughout Sudan by pro-Numayri officers, and a curfew has been imposed since 1400 EDT.

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